



# TAFE NSW **START YOUR FUTURE** ANIMAL CARE

## Program description:

TAFE NSW Start Your Future is an initiative of the NSW Government and part of the NSW Department of Education's Educational Pathways Program (EPP)

## This program provides:

Practical demonstrations from highly qualified teaching staff and the opportunity for students to participate in hands on activities to gain insight and knowledge in the animal care industry.

## Program outcomes include:

- Students make informed career choices to access Vocational Education and Training (VET) options
- Students develop individual learning plans identifying courses and study options linked to their preferred careers

## Students will develop skills and knowledge in:

- Safe animal handling practices
- Understanding the importance of mental stimulation and providing enrichment activities for animals
- Animal enclosure maintenance like maintaining clean and sanitary living environments for animals
- Learning about the needs and characteristics of different animals, such as dogs, cats, small mammals, birds, and reptiles
- Gain understanding of common parasites, methods of prevention and control
- Learning about various career paths within the field of animal care, including veterinary nursing, grooming, animal training, and more

## Participant eligibility

### Participants must be:

- A minimum 15 years of age
- attending EPP school
- likely to benefit from exposure to a vocational pathway

### How to get involved:

Contact your school  
Career's Advisor